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Customer No. 25280

Case No. 3043A

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Ramesh Keshavaraj
Serial Number: 09/899,324
Filed: 07/05/2001
For: Passenger Airbag and Method

Attorney's Docket: 3043A
Examiner: Luby, Matthew D
Group Art: 3611

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

The following is in response to a first office action on the merits, dated
11/05/2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 19, 23, and 24, and amend claim 15 as indicated in the
attached set of claims. Each claim in the present application is set forth in the
attachment, labeled to show its current status and amendments to claim 15 are shown
explicitly.

REMARKS

Claims 15-26 stand rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being
indefinite. In particular, phrases in claims 15, 19, 23, and 24 are deemed indefinite.
(The office action states that claims 14-26 stand rejected but it is believed that claim
15 was intended rather than claim 14.) These words "about" and "effective" in